AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended)   A computer-implemented method of recognizing speech, the method comprising:

~~detecting a predefined prefix;~~

employing a computing device to recognize a predefined prefix in user speech, the predefined prefix being associated with a single grammar in a set of grammars, wherein the predefined prefix is also associated with a target software application;

recognizing text from speech following the prefix using the single grammar~~a set of grammars~~ associated with the detected predefined prefix; and

directing recognized text to the target software application~~a target~~ associated with the single grammar~~set of grammars~~.

2-4. (Canceled)

5. (Original)   The method of claim 1, wherein the prefix is a word.

6. (Original)   The method of claim 1, wherein the prefix is a phrase.

7. (Canceled)

8. (Currently Amended)   The method of claim 1~~7~~, wherein a~~the~~ category is provided associating the predefined prefix, single grammar, and an identification of ~~also includes a field to identify~~ a parent of the category together.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Original) The method of claim 1, executed upon a desktop computer.

11. (Original) The method of claim 1, executed upon a mobile computing device.

12. (Canceled)

13. (Currently Amended) A speech recognition system comprising:

    an input for receiving speech;

    a processor for recognizing speech using a set of one or more grammars;

    wherein the processor is adapted to recognize a prefix associated with a desired category, and to recognize speech using a grammar~~the set of one or more grammars~~ associated with the desired category when the prefix is recognized to generate an output; and

    wherein the output is provided to a target software application associated with the ~~recognized~~ grammar associated with the prefix.

14. (Currently Amended) The recognizer of claim 13, wherein the prefix must be recognized in order activate the grammar~~set of grammars~~.

15. (Canceled)